(d) and (e) The Central Government has introduced a Scheme for distribution of upto 10 lakh tons of imported edible oils in 2008–09 with a subsidy of Rs.15/- per kg. through State Government/UTs @ 1 kg. per ration card per month through PDS shops/other outlets as decided by them. The price at which edible oil is distributed to consumers is decided by the Governments of States/UTs. The rates at which edible oil is supplied by States/UTs to consumers are given in the Statement.

Statement

Details of issue prices of subsidized imported edible oil supplied by States/UTs to consumers.

States/UTs	Edible Oil	Sale Price to Consumers (Rs./litre) fixed by States/UTs
Andhra Pradesh	RBD Palmolien	45.00
Chhattisgarh	Soyabean Oil	60.00
Gujarat	RBD Palmolien	44.00
Himachal Pradesh	Soyabean Oil	40.00
Karnataka	RBD Palmolien	45.00
Maharashtra	RBD Palmolien	42.00
Nagaland	RBD Palmolien	62.50
Orissa	RBD Palmolien	48.00
Sikkim	RBD Palmolien	51.00
Tamil Nadu	RBD Palmolien	40.00
West Bengal	RBD Palmolien	52.00
Rajasthan	Soyabean Oil	60.00

Increase in the number of Kidney patients

*16. SHRI THENNALA G. BALAKRISHNA PILLAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that the number of kidney patients in the country is increasing;

(b) if so, whether any study has been conducted in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (c) As per information obtained from the Indian Council of Medical Research, the Council has not conducted any study to document if there is any real increasing trend of number of Chronic kidney disease patients in the country over the years.